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TAGS: PFOR, UN, UR, CN, FR

SUBJECT:FRENCH CONCERN OVER SOVIET-COMOROS RELATIONS

REF: MOSCOW 809, PARIS 01922

IN RESPONSE TO DEPARTMENT OFFICER'S QUERY, FRENCH EMBASSY COUNSELOR ESMEIN ASSERTED THAT PARIS HAD BEEN PERTURBED OVER SOVIET PRESS ARTICLES CRITICAL OF FRENCH HANDLING OF COMOROS QUESTION. SHE SAID THAT WHEN SOVIET AMBASSADOR IN PARIS CHERVONENKO CAME TO QUAI TO DELIVER SOVIET JANUARY 9 STATEMENT ON MIDDLE EAST, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS DE LABOULAYE SEIZED UPON OCCASION TO UPBraid HIM OVER THESE ARTICLES. SHE ALSO ADMITTED THAT THE STATUS OF MAYOTTE ISLAND NOT YET SETTLED, THUS TENDING TO CONFIRM

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PARIS' ANALYSIS (REFTEL) THAT THIS CONTENTIOUS ISSUE IS THE

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